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| UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL <i>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</i> | Attorney Docket No. | 57183 |
| | First Inventor | Alan GEORGEFF |
| | Title | GUARD FOR SWIMMING POOL SKIMMERS |
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See 37 CFR 1.27.
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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 USC 111 and 37 CFR 1.53 is the ☐ Design ☒ **Utility patent application of:**
INVENTOR: Alan GEORGEFF and Louis PAPERA

ENTITLED: GUARD FOR SWIMMING POOL SKIMMERS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ **6** pages of written description, claims (8 claims total) and abstract.
☐ **2** sheets of drawings.
☐ An assignment of the invention to:
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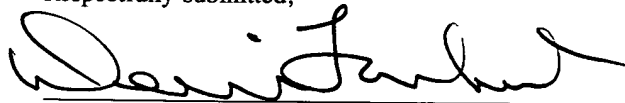
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Applicant : **Alan GEORGEFF and Louis PAPER**
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